

# **Environmental Tidbits**

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### **Announcements**

**Attention MBP3 Members** – annual reporting forms are still available for 2007 <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deg/deg-ess-p2-mbp3-performancemeasurements\_189893\_7.doc">http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deg/deg-ess-p2-mbp3-performancemeasurements\_189893\_7.doc</a>

With October being Energy Month, what is your facility doing to conserve energy, eliminate waste and cut costs? AwarenessIDEAS is helping spread employee awareness with posters, decals, handouts and other promotional goods that can be customized for your needs. Whether your energy month goals include keeping lights turned off when not in use, minimizing idle machine time, keeping doors closed to control climate zones or instituting new recycling standards, AwarenessIDEAS can help. <a href="http://www.awarenessideas.com">http://www.awarenessideas.com</a> or toll-free: 800-875-1725

## MBP3 Partners (or others)

1. Looking for a distributor of shower cap - style covers for Gaylord boxes. The contact we had has stopped making the product. The ones we have are grey/silver on one side and blue on the other. They fit snug across the box and have elastic all the way around. I think they were made from some tarp material. They do a great job of suppressing odors such as from pesticides or flammable liquids during the times we aren't open for business.

Contact: Cindy Foster, Kalamazoo County

269.383.8742

If you have information or comments regarding "Informational Requests", please send them to Jeff Spencer, MBP3 Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:spencerj3@michigan.gov">spencerj3@michigan.gov</a> (unless otherwise indicated).

### **Environmental Awareness**

Michigan Poised To Be International Advanced Battery Capital http://mbs.cargroup.org/2008/

Michigan Ranks No. 9 Nationally in College, University Sustainability Programs <a href="http://www.nwf.org/campusEcology/">http://www.nwf.org/campusEcology/</a>

### Michigan Green Jobs

http://www.metromodemedia.com/features/greenjobs0081.aspx

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#### Going Camping? Don't Bring the Firewood.

http://www.ucsusa.org/publications/greentips/

#### **DEQ Announces New Division Chiefs**

http://www.michigan.gov/deg/0,1607,7-135--198276--,00.html

#### The Switch from Analog to Digital TV: Probably a Spectator Sport

http://www.newdream.org/marketplace/tv.php

#### **August 2008 ESSD Bulletin**

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deg/deg-ess-bulletin-August2008\_245259\_7.pdf

## **Energy & Climate Change**

### Seeking Volunteers to Help Develop MREP-KIDZ Website

http://mrepkidz.weebly.com/

#### **U.S. Chamber Continues State Climate Change Dialogue Meetings**

http://www.yourenergyfuture.org/

### **State Energy Efficiency Policy Database Website**

http://aceee.org/energy/state/index.htm

#### American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy

http://www.aceee.org/Consumer/index.htm

# Recycling and Resource Conservation

#### **Electronics Waste Management in the United States**

http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/recycle/ecycling/docs/app-1.pdf

#### **Top Festivals Go Green**

http://www.metromodemedia.com/devnews/greenfestivals0081.aspx

# Water Quality & Conservation

#### Think Outside the Bottle: A Webinar about Bottled Water Alternatives

https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/444868736

#### Strategy to Assess the Nation's Ground-Water Availability

http://pubs.usgs.gov/circ/1323/

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## <u>Training/Workshop/Conference Opportunities</u>

### National Clean Energy Summit in Las Vegas

http://cleanenergysummit.org/agenda.html

#### 2008 NAHMMA Conference - Burlington, VT

http://www.nahmma.org/displayconvention.cfm?conventionnbr=5571

# 27<sup>th</sup> Annual International Submerged Lands Management Conference http://www.submergedlands2008.com/

Annual Meeting of the Great Lakes Commission, Oct. 6-7 in Quebec City <a href="http://www.glc.org/meeting/">http://www.glc.org/meeting/</a>

### Save the Date: LID Manual Workshops (Low Impact Development)

SEMCOG will be hosting 3 workshops across the state to introduce Michigan's new LID manual. We will send out brochures in the next month, but wanted to have people mark down the dates. The workshop will be free, but registration will be required.

Wednesday, September 17, 2008 - City of Novi Community Center Friday, September 19, 2008 - Grand Valley State University Friday, September 26, 2008 - Ramada Inn Grayling

### Save the Date and Call for Presenters: Fourth Annual MiCorps Conference

October 20-21, 2008 - Ralph A. MacMullan Conference Center - Higgins Lake, Michigan <a href="http://www.micorps.net/conference">http://www.micorps.net/conference</a>

# West Michigan Watershed Partners Forum - September 11, 2008 <a href="http://www.wmsrdc.org/">http://www.wmsrdc.org/</a>

#### **Sustainable Cities and Communities**

http://www.greenpowerconferences.com/renewablesmarkets/documents/gpc5260\_SSC.pdf

12<sup>th</sup> Annual Sustainable Business Conference of Michigan November 13th, 2008 - Fetzer Center - Kalamazoo <a href="http://www.SouthwestMichiganSustainableBusinessForum.org/">http://www.SouthwestMichiganSustainableBusinessForum.org/</a>

## **Feedback**

If you have not done so, please take a few moments to complete this short evaluation, thanks. http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=9IkHXUF9iifL6NjXBRHNag\_3d\_3d

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